



General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 5661



Offered by:
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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5209

File No. 61

Cal. No. 539

"AN ACT CONCERNING LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE PREMIUM RATE INCREASES."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Resolved by this Assembly:

4 WHEREAS, pyrrhotite is a naturally occurring mineral that oxidizes
5 when it is exposed to air or water;

6 WHEREAS, pyrrhotite is found in the concrete foundations of
7 thirty-five thousand residential dwellings, spread across
8 approximately forty-one towns, in the northern, eastern and central
9 portions of this state;

10 WHEREAS, the oxidation of pyrrhotite causes concrete to slowly
11 crack, flake, bow, deteriorate and separate;

12 WHEREAS, the slow deterioration of concrete foundations due to
13 the natural oxidation of pyrrhotite has caused substantial damage to

14 numerous residential dwellings in this state;

15 WHEREAS, the deterioration of concrete foundations in this state
16 due to the oxidation of pyrrhotite constitutes a natural disaster;

17 WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency is the
18 federal agency charged with responding to natural disasters in the
19 United States; and

20 WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has failed
21 to adequately respond to the residents of this state who are affected by
22 crumbling concrete foundations.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Connecticut
24 General Assembly petitions the members of this state's congressional
25 delegation to petition the Federal Emergency Management Agency to
26 fulfill its legal obligations to the residents of this state by, among other
27 things: (1) Dedicating sufficient funding and staff to assist the residents
28 of this state who are affected by crumbling concrete foundations; (2)
29 providing affected residents of this state with sufficient information
30 regarding the causes of, and available responses to, crumbling concrete
31 foundations; (3) working with partners at all levels of government to
32 timely and adequately assist affected residents of this state; and (4)
33 reducing the administrative and bureaucratic burdens that impede
34 affected residents and communities from timely securing adequate
35 assistance."